

**Amendments to Specification:**

Please replace the five paragraphs beginning at Page 1, Line 32 and ending on Page 2, Line 27 with the following paragraphs:

This invention is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_342,743 (attorney docket no. CISCP082), filed on the same day as this patent application, naming Shankar Natarajan, Andrew G. Harvey, Hsuan-Chung Lee, Vipin Rawat, and Leo Pereira as inventors, and entitled "Dynamically Adaptive Network Element in a Feedback-Based Data Network". That application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

C This invention is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_342,337 (attorney docket no. CISCP098), filed on the same day as this patent application, naming Shankar Natarajan, Andrew G. Harvey, Hsuan-Chung Lee, Vipin Rawat, and Leo Pereira as inventors, and entitled "Policy Engine which Supports Application Specific Plug-ins for Enforcing Policies in a Feedback-Based, Adaptive Data Network". That application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

This invention is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_342,321 (attorney docket no. CISCP104), filed on the same day as this patent application, naming Shankar Natarajan, Andrew G. Harvey, Hsuan-Chung Lee, Vipin Rawat, and Leo Pereira as inventors, and entitled "Dynamic Adjustment Of Network Elements Using A Feedback-Based Adaptive Technique". That application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

This invention is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_342,341 (attorney docket no. CISCP120), filed on the same day as this patent application, naming Shankar Natarajan, Andrew G. Harvey, Hsuan-Chung Lee, Vipin Rawat, and Leo Pereira as inventors, and entitled "Technique for Providing Dynamic Modification of Application Specific Policies in a Feedback-Based, Adaptive Data Network ". That application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

This invention is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_342,744 (attorney docket no. CISCP121), filed on the same day as this patent application, naming Shankar Natarajan, Andrew G. Harvey, Hsuan-Chung Lee, Vipin Rawat, and Leo Pereira as inventors, and entitled "Technique for Providing Automatic Event Notification of Changing

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